

1. According to the Third Law of Thermodynamics, the entropy of a perfect crystal is zero at $T = 0$. Adding heat increases the entropy. (Recall $dS = dq_{\text{rev}}/T$.) As a result, the entropies of substances calculated using the Third Law are always **positive**. (See, for example, Table 4.1).

The entropies of several aqueous ions listed in Table 10.1 are **negative**, such as $S_m(\text{Ca}^{2+}, \text{aq}) = -53.1 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$ at 25°C . Is this a violation of the Third Law? Explain.

2. Why do significant deviations from ideal behavior generally occur at lower concentrations for electrolyte solutions than for nonelectrolyte solutions?

3. Debye-Huckel (DH) theory gives
- $$\ln \gamma_+ = -1.173 z_+^2 \sqrt{I}$$
- $$\ln \gamma_- = -1.173 z_-^2 \sqrt{I}$$

for the activity coefficients of aqueous cations and anions at 25°C . Show (*hint*: $\nu_+ z_+ + \nu_- z_- = 0$) that the mean ionic activity coefficient is

$$\ln \gamma_{\pm} = -1.173 z_+ |z_-| \sqrt{I}$$

4. One of many important applications of ion activities is the pH, defined as the negative logarithm (base 10) of the activity of hydrogen ions.

$$\text{pH} = -\log_{10}(a_{\text{H}^+})$$

But it's *impossible* to measure the pH defined in this manner! Why?

5. Practical pH measurements are made relative to a scale of pH values assigned to a series of reference solutions, such as pH 1.096 for $0.100 \text{ mol kg}^{-1}$ aqueous HCl solutions at 25°C .

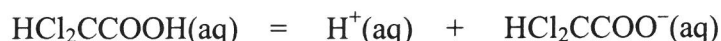
a) Potentiometric measurements for the following solutions on opposite sides of a membrane permeable to H^+ ions give $\phi_{\text{Right}} - \phi_{\text{Left}} = -0.027$ volt at 25°C . Calculate the pH of the solution on the right.

Left Side		Right Side
$0.100 \text{ mol kg}^{-1}$ HCl (reference) pH 1.096		test solution pH ?

b) Why don't the H^+ ions diffuse from the side with the lower pH to the side with the higher pH (from higher to lower activity) to reach equilibrium (*i.e.*, equal activities on both sides)?

6. a) Calculate the pH of a $0.100 \text{ mol kg}^{-1}$ solution of HCl assuming the solution is ideal.
- b) Recalculate the pH of a $0.100 \text{ mol kg}^{-1}$ HCl solution using $\ln \gamma_+ = -1.173 z_+^2 \sqrt{I}$ from DH theory to allow for nonideal solution behavior.
- c) Using DH theory, calculate the pH of a solution containing $0.100 \text{ mol kg}^{-1}$ HCl and $0.500 \text{ mol kg}^{-1}$ LaCl_3 .
- d) Notice that the pH depends on more than just the H^+ concentration. *Why?*

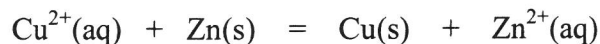
7. The freezing point depression of a $0.100 \text{ mol kg}^{-1}$ solution of aqueous dichloroacetic acid is $0.279 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$. Assuming the solution is ideal and using $K_f = 1.86 \text{ K kg mol}^{-1}$, calculate the equilibrium constant for the dissociation of the acid



8. Assuming ideal solutions, calculate the solubility of $\text{Ba}(\text{OH})_2$ at $25 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ ($K_{\text{sp}} = 0.0050$) in
- a) water
- b) $0.200 \text{ mol kg}^{-1}$ aqueous NaCl solution
- c) $0.200 \text{ mol kg}^{-1}$ aqueous BaCl_2 solution. Why is this solubility significantly lower?

9. Using DH theory, calculate the solubility of $\text{Ba}(\text{OH})_2$ at $25 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ ($K_{\text{sp}} = 0.0050$) in
- a) water
- b) $0.200 \text{ mol kg}^{-1}$ aqueous NaCl solution
- c) Is the solubility of $\text{Ba}(\text{OH})_2$ significantly affected by nonideal solution behavior?

10. a) Calculate the equilibrium constant for the following reaction at $25 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$:



$$\text{Data: } \Delta G_{\text{fm}}^\circ(\text{Cu}^{2+}, \text{aq}) = 65.5 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1} \quad \Delta G_{\text{fm}}^\circ(\text{Zn}^{2+}, \text{aq}) = -147.1 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$$

- b) A $0.250 \text{ mol kg}^{-1}$ CuSO_4 solution is poured onto a sheet of zinc metal. Assuming ideal solution behavior, calculate the molalities of Cu^{2+} and Zn^{2+} ions at equilibrium. Why does the zinc appear to turn gray? Can you suggest a chemical treatment for the quantitative removal of copper ions from water?

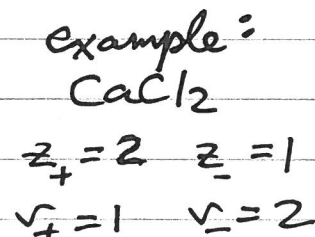
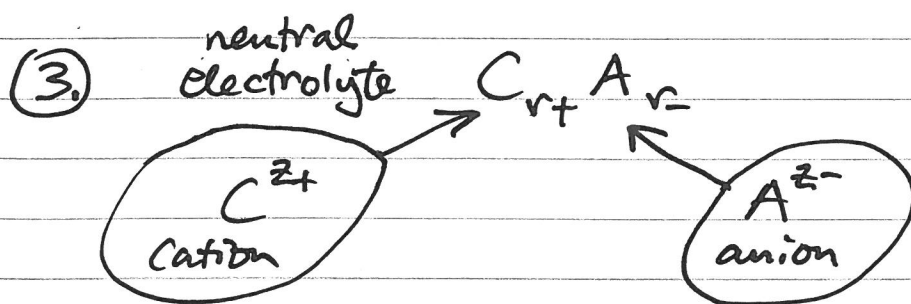
- ① $S_m(\text{Ca}^{2+}, \text{aq}) = -53.1 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1}$ and other tabulated ionic entropies that are negative are not violations of the Third Law.

The ionic entropies are not absolute entropies. They are arbitrarily defined relative to $S_m(\text{H}^+, \text{aq})$ set equal to zero, not equal to absolute entropy of a perfect crystal at $T=0$ equal to zero.

Also, ions in solution can't be a perfect crystal, so Third-Law entropy calculations do not apply. (not a pure compound)

- ② Ions interact electrically over much longer ranges than the short range dipole-dipole interactions of neutral molecules.

Also charge-charge interactions are stronger than dipole-dipole interactions.



electroneutrality requires

$$\nu_+ z_+ + \nu_- z_- = 0$$

absolute value:
 $|z_+| = -z_-$

or
 $\nu_+ z_+ = \nu_- |z_-|$

(3 cont.)

the mean ionic activity coefficient γ_{\pm} is defined as

$$\gamma_{\pm} = (\gamma_+^{v_+} \gamma_-^{v_-})^{\frac{1}{v_+ + v_-}} = (\gamma_+^{v_+} \gamma_-^{v_-})^{\frac{1}{v}}$$

Why γ_+ , γ_- and a third activity coefficient γ_{\pm} ?

Because single-ion activity coefficients γ_+ and γ_- are not measurable, but γ_{\pm} for the neutral electrolyte component $C_{v_+} A_{v_-}$ is measurable.

Debye and Huckel, from theory, derived
(DH)

$$\ln \gamma_+ = -1.173 z_+^2 \sqrt{I} \quad \text{and} \quad \ln \gamma_- = -1.173 z_-^2 \sqrt{I}$$

What is the DH prediction for the measurable mean ionic activity coefficient?

$$\ln \gamma_{\pm} = \ln [\gamma_+^{v_+} \gamma_-^{v_-}]^{\frac{1}{v_+ + v_-}} = \frac{v_+}{v_+ + v_-} \ln \gamma_+ + \frac{v_-}{v_+ + v_-} \ln \gamma_- \quad (\text{definition})$$

$$= \frac{v_+}{v_+ + v_-} (-1.173) z_+^2 \sqrt{I} + \frac{v_-}{v_+ + v_-} (-1.173) z_-^2 \sqrt{I} \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{from DH} \\ \text{theory} \end{array} \right)$$

$$= - \left(\frac{v_+ z_+^2}{v_+ + v_-} + \frac{v_- z_-^2}{v_+ + v_-} \right) 1.173 \sqrt{I} \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{use} \\ v_+ z_+ = -v_- z_- \end{array} \right)$$

$$= - \left(- \frac{v_- z_- z_+}{v_+ + v_-} - \frac{v_+ z_+ z_-}{v_+ + v_-} \right) 1.173 \sqrt{I} \quad \text{use } |z_-| = -z_-$$

$$= - \left(\frac{v_- z_+ |z_-| + v_+ z_+ |z_-|}{v_+ + v_-} \right) 1.173 \sqrt{I}$$

$$\boxed{\ln \gamma_{\pm} = -1.173 z_+ |z_-| \sqrt{I}}$$

useful only for very dilute solutions

see pg!

4. $\text{pH} \equiv -\log_{10}(a_{\text{H}^+})$

$= -\log_{10}(\gamma_{\text{H}^+} m_{\text{H}^+})$ not practical

can't measure single-ion activity coefficients, such as γ_{H^+} !

H^+ ions are always found in combination with anions, such as Cl^-

can measure $\gamma_{\pm} = \sqrt{\gamma_{\text{H}^+} \gamma_{\text{Cl}^-}}$ for aqueous HCl, but γ_{\pm} includes a contribution from the activity of the Cl^- ion, so, in general, $\gamma_{\pm} \neq \gamma_{\text{H}^+}$

5. a)

ϕ_L
 $\text{pH} = 1.096$
 (assigned pH value, not measured)
 for 0.100 mol/kg HCl

ϕ_R
 $\text{pH} = ?$

measure $\phi_R - \phi_L = -0.027\text{V}$
 relative to reference $\text{pH} = 1.096$

(total H^+ potential)_{Left} = (total H^+ potential)_{Right}

~~$(\mu_{\text{H}^+}^{\circ} + RT \ln a_{\text{H}^+} + z_{\text{H}^+} F \phi)_{\text{Left}} = (\mu_{\text{H}^+}^{\circ} + RT \ln a_{\text{H}^+} + z_{\text{H}^+} F \phi)_{\text{Right}}$~~

$RT \ln a_{\text{H}^+ \text{Left}} + z_{\text{H}^+} F (\phi_{\text{Left}} - \phi_{\text{Right}}) = RT \ln a_{\text{H}^+ \text{Right}}$

$\ln a_{\text{H}^+ \text{Right}} = \ln a_{\text{H}^+ \text{Left}} + \frac{z_{\text{H}^+} F (\phi_{\text{Left}} - \phi_{\text{Right}})}{RT}$

$-\ln a_{\text{H}^+ \text{Right}} = -\ln a_{\text{H}^+ \text{Left}} + \frac{z_{\text{H}^+} F (\phi_{\text{Right}} - \phi_{\text{Left}})}{RT}$

(5a cont.)

$$\log_{10} x = \frac{\ln x}{2.303} = \frac{\ln x}{\ln 10}$$

$$\frac{-\ln a_{H^+ \text{ Right}}}{2.303} = -\frac{\ln a_{H^+ \text{ Left}}}{2.303} + \frac{z_{H^+} F (\phi_{\text{Right}} - \phi_{\text{Left}})}{2.303 RT}$$

$$\boxed{pH_{\text{Right}} = pH_{\text{Left}} + \frac{z_{H^+} F (\phi_{\text{Right}} - \phi_{\text{Left}})}{2.303 RT}}$$

$$= 1.096 + \frac{(1)(96485 \text{ C mol}^{-1})(-0.027 \text{ V})}{2.303(8.314 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ mol}^{-1})(298.15 \text{ K})}$$

$$= 1.096 - 0.456$$

$$\boxed{pH_{\text{Right}} = 0.640}$$

b) $a_{H^+} = 10^{-pH}$

(from $pH = -\log_{10} a_{H^+}$)

Left Side

$$a_{H^+} = 10^{-1.096} = 0.080$$

+0.027 higher
electric potential

Right Side

$$a_{H^+} = 10^{-0.640} = 0.229$$

ionic conduction
from higher
to lower
electric potential
energy

chemical diffusion
from higher to
lower H^+ activity

net H^+ flux (diffusion + conduction)
 $= 0$
a balance is struck

6. a) 0.100 mol kg⁻¹ aqueous HCl
 $m_{H^+} = 0.100 \text{ mol kg}^{-1}$

"strong" electrolyte

$a_{H^+} = \gamma_{H^+} m_{H^+}$ if the solution is ideal: $\gamma_{H^+} = 1$
 $a_{H^+} = m_{H^+}$

$pH = -\log_{10} a_{H^+} = -\log_{10} m_{H^+}$ (if ideal)
 $= -\log_{10}(0.100)$
 $= -(-1.00)$

$pH = 1.00$ assuming ideal solution behavior

b) recalculate the pH of 0.100 mol kg⁻¹ HCl using DH theory to include nonideal behavior

$\ln \gamma_{H^+} = -1.173 z_+^2 \sqrt{I} = -1.173(1)^2 \sqrt{\frac{z_{H^+}^2 m_{H^+} + z_{Cl^-}^2 m_{Cl^-}}{2}}$
 $= -1.173 \sqrt{\frac{m_{H^+} + m_{Cl^-}}{2}} = -1.173 \sqrt{\frac{0.100 + 0.100}{2}}$

$\ln \gamma_{H^+} = -0.371$ $\gamma_{H^+} = e^{-0.371} = 0.690$

$pH = -\log_{10}(a_{H^+}) = -\log_{10}(\gamma_{H^+} m_{H^+}) = -\log_{10}([0.690][0.100])$

$pH = 1.16$ using DH theory for nonideal solutions

c) pH of 0.100 mol/kg HCl + 0.500 mol/kg LaCl₃ ?

$I = \frac{m_{H^+} + m_{Cl^-} + 9m_{La^{3+}}}{2} = \frac{0.100 + 1.600 + 9(0.500)}{2} = 3.10$

$\ln \gamma_{H^+} = -1.173 \sqrt{I} = -2.06$ $\gamma_{H^+} = 0.127$

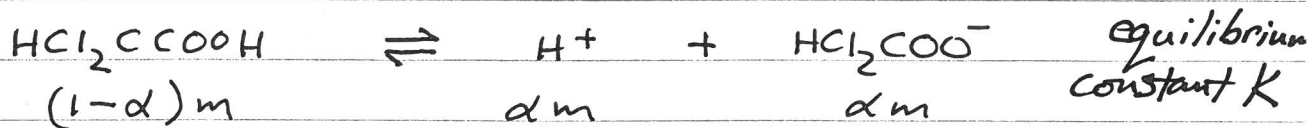
$pH = -\log_{10}(\gamma_{H^+} m_{H^+}) = -\log_{10}([0.127][0.100]) = 1.90$

with 0.500 mol/kg LaCl₃
1.90

d) a_{H^+} and therefore pH depends on the H⁺ molality and on the activity coefficient γ_{H^+} WHY? $\Rightarrow a_{H^+} = \gamma_{H^+} m_{H^+}$

$\Delta T \neq K_f m!$	$\text{HA} \rightleftharpoons \text{H}^+ + \text{A}^-$ $(1-\alpha)m \quad \alpha m \quad \alpha m$	$\Delta T = K_f (m_{\text{HA}} + m_{\text{H}^+} + m_{\text{A}^-})$ $= K_f (1+\alpha)m$
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Q7 dichloroacetic acid is a weak electrolyte,
only partially dissociated to H^+ and HCl_2COO^- ions



total acid molality $m = m_{\text{HCl}_2\text{COOH}} + m_{\text{HCl}_2\text{COO}^-}$

$\alpha =$ extent of dissociation $=$ fraction of dissociated acid molecules $= \frac{m_{\text{HCl}_2\text{COO}^-}}{m} = \frac{m_{\text{H}^+}}{m}$

$$K = \frac{m_{\text{H}^+} m_{\text{HCl}_2\text{COO}^-}}{m_{\text{HCl}_2\text{COOH}}} = \frac{(\alpha m)(\alpha m)}{(1-\alpha)m} = \frac{\alpha^2 m}{1-\alpha}$$

(no activity coefficients - ideal solutions assumed)

freezing point depression (a colligative property) gives the total number of solute molecules or ions

$$\Delta T = K_f (m_{\text{HCl}_2\text{COOH}} + m_{\text{H}^+} + m_{\text{HCl}_2\text{COO}^-})$$

$$\Delta T = K_f [(1-\alpha)m + \alpha m + \alpha m] = K_f (1+\alpha)m$$

total molecular + dissociated acid molality

$m = 0.100 \text{ kg mol}^{-1}$ $\Delta T = 0.279 \text{ K}$ $K_f = 1.86 \text{ K kg mol}^{-1}$

$$0.279 = 1.86(1+\alpha)0.100 \quad \alpha = 0.500$$

$$K = \frac{\alpha^2 m}{1-\alpha} = \frac{(0.500)^2 \cdot 0.100}{1-0.500} = 0.050$$

Q8 Solubility of Ba(OH)_2 assuming ideal solutions

$$K_{sp} = a_{\text{Ba}^{2+}}(a_{\text{OH}^-})^2 = m_{\text{Ba}^{2+}}(m_{\text{OH}^-})^2$$

a) Ba(OH)_2 in water solubility = m (ideal)

$$K_{sp} = m_{\text{Ba}^{2+}}(m_{\text{OH}^-})^2 \quad \text{Ba(OH)}_2(s) \rightarrow \text{Ba}^{2+} + 2\text{OH}^-$$

$m \qquad 2m$

$$K_{sp} = m(2m)^2 = 4m^3$$

$$m = \left(\frac{K_{sp}}{4}\right)^{1/3} = \left(\frac{0.0050}{4}\right)^{1/3} = 0.108 \frac{\text{mol}}{\text{kg}}$$

b) Ba(OH)_2 in $0.200 \text{ mol kg}^{-1}$ NaCl solution

same answer as part a! (assuming ideal solutions)

c) Ba(OH)_2 solubility in $0.200 \text{ mol kg}^{-1}$ BaCl_2 solution

$$m_{\text{Ba}^{2+}} = m + m_{\text{BaCl}_2} \quad (0.200 \text{ mol kg}^{-1})$$

$$m_{\text{OH}^-} = 2m$$

Ba(OH)_2

$$K_{sp} = m_{\text{Ba}^{2+}}(m_{\text{OH}^-})^2 = (m + m_{\text{BaCl}_2})(2m)^2$$

$$0.0050 = (m + 0.200)4m^2$$

cubic equation in m solved on the next page

plot $(m + 0.200)4m^2 - 0.0050$ against m
 $= 0$ at $m = 0.0682 \text{ mol kg}^{-1}$

d) Ba(OH)_2 is less soluble in BaCl_2 solutions \Rightarrow common ion effect

Ba^{2+} from BaCl_2 reduces the Ba(OH)_2 solubility

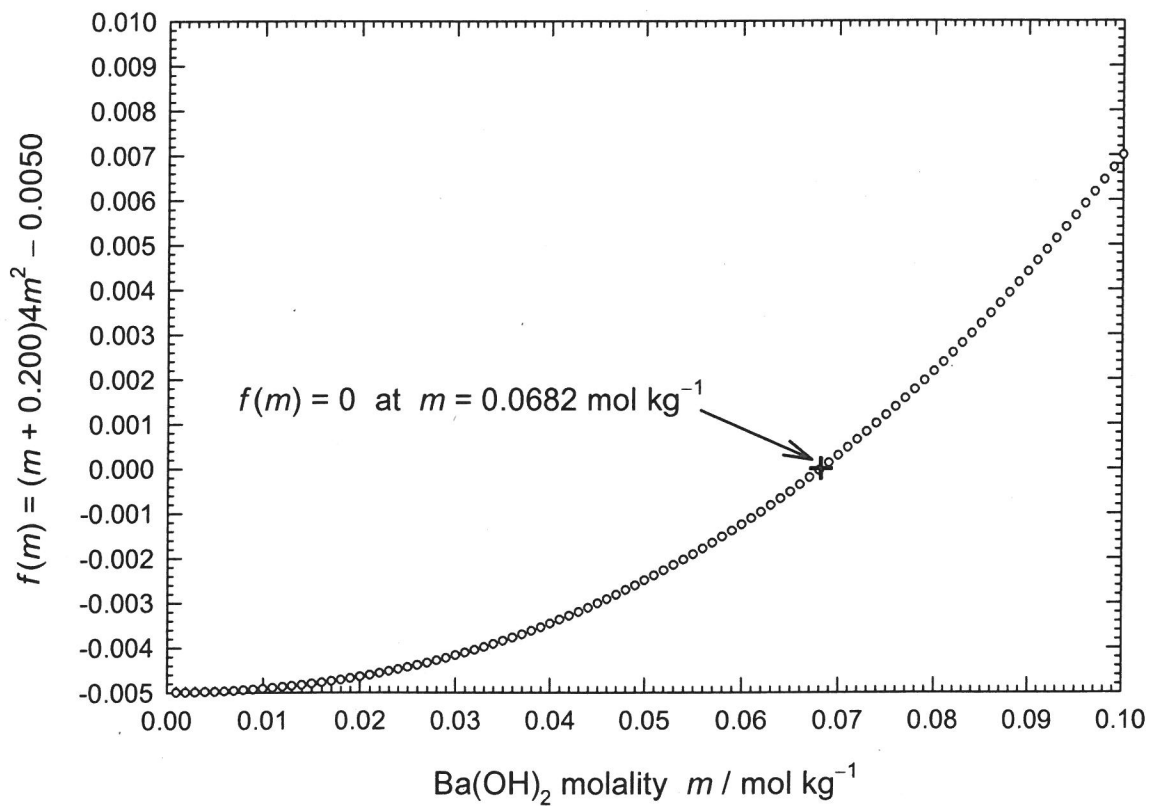
Ba(OH)_2 and BaCl_2 both have Ba^{2+} ions: reduces Ba(OH)_2 solubility m

Q8c

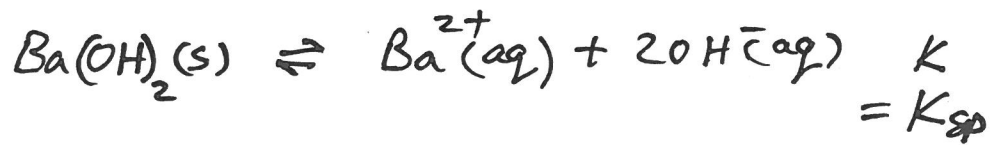
numerical solution of the cubic equation
 $0.0050 = (m + 0.200)4m^2$

plot $f(m) = (m + 0.200)4m^2 - 0.0050$
against m

locate $m = 0.0682 \text{ mol kg}^{-1}$ where $f(m) = 0$



Ba(OH)_2 solubility in $0.200 \text{ mol kg}^{-1} \text{ BaCl}_2$
 $m = 0.0682 \text{ mol kg}^{-1}$



Q9 Do not assume ideal solutions!

for aqueous Ba(OH)_2 , use (molarity m)

$$\begin{aligned} K_{sp} &= a_{\text{Ba(OH)}_2} = (a_{\text{Ba}^{2+}})(a_{\text{OH}^-})^2 \\ &= (\gamma_{\text{Ba}^{2+}} m) (\gamma_{\text{OH}^-} 2m)^2 \\ &= \gamma_{\text{Ba}^{2+}} \gamma_{\text{OH}^-}^2 4m^3 \end{aligned}$$

can't measure $\gamma_{\text{Ba}^{2+}}$ or γ_{OH^-} !

$$K_{sp} = \gamma_{\pm}^3 4m^3$$

use mean ionic activity coefficient instead

estimate γ_{\pm} using DH theory: $\ln \gamma_{\pm} = -1.173 |z_+ z_-| \sqrt{I}$

$$\begin{aligned} z_+ &= 2 \quad z_- = -1 \quad I = \frac{z_+^2 m_+ + z_-^2 m_-}{2} \\ &= \frac{(4)m_{\text{Ba}^{2+}} + (1)m_{\text{OH}^-}}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\gamma_{\pm} = e^{\ln \gamma_{\pm}}$$

$$I = \frac{4m + 2m}{2} = 3m$$

$$\gamma_{\pm} = e^{-1.173(2)\sqrt{3m}}$$

$$\gamma_{\pm}^3 = e^{-1.173(2)(3)\sqrt{3m}}$$

solve for m (Ba(OH)_2 solubility):

$$K_{sp} = \gamma_{\pm}^3 4m^3 = 0.0050 = e^{-1.173(2)(3)\sqrt{3m}} 4m^3$$

UH OH! another nonlinear equation

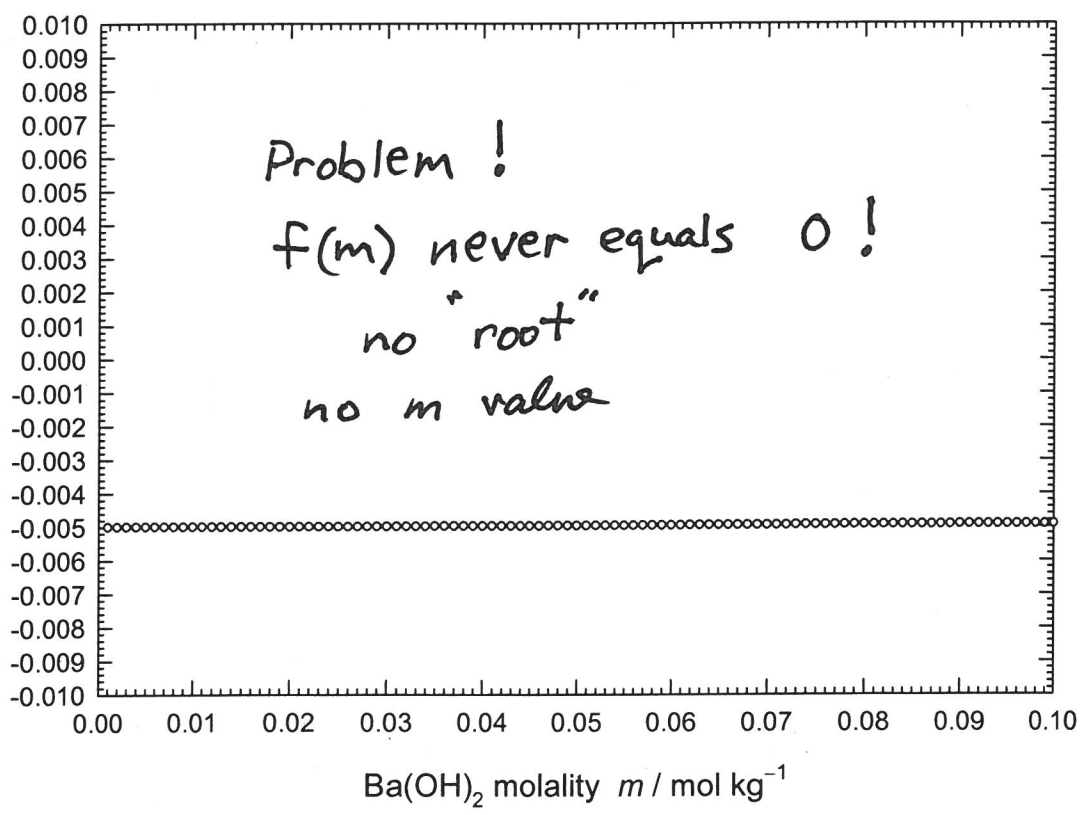
Q 9a cont. Solubility of Ba(OH)_2 (nonideal solution)

To solve $0.0050 = e^{-1.173(2)(3)\sqrt{3m}} 4m^2$

plot $f(m) = e^{-1.173(2)(3)\sqrt{3m}} - 0.0050$

to find m (Ba(OH)_2 solubility) at $f(m) = 0$

$f(m) = e^{-1.173(2)(3)\sqrt{3m}} - 0.0050$



WHY? DH theory is being used for concentrated solutions where

$$\ln \gamma_{\pm} = -1.173 |z_+ z_-| \sqrt{I}$$

is not reliable.

A good lesson \rightarrow don't push theory too far!

(Q9 a cont.) What to do?

solubility of $\text{Ba}(\text{OH})_2$ nonideal solution?

$$\text{replace } \ln \gamma_{\pm} = -1.173 |z_+ z_-| \sqrt{I}$$

with "extended" Debye Huckel theory: (more reliable at higher ionic strengths)

$$\ln \gamma_{\pm} = -1.173 |z_+ z_-| \frac{\sqrt{I}}{1 + \sqrt{I}} \quad \text{"new" denominator } 1 + \sqrt{I}$$

solve:

$$0.0050 = e^{-1.173(2 \times 3) \frac{\sqrt{3m}}{1 + \sqrt{3m}}} 4m^2$$

plot:

$$f(m) = e^{-1.173(2 \times 3) \frac{\sqrt{3m}}{1 + \sqrt{3m}}} 4m^3 - 0.0050 \quad \text{against } m$$

find root at $\text{Ba}(\text{OH})_2$ solubility $0.355 \frac{\text{mol}}{\text{kg}}$

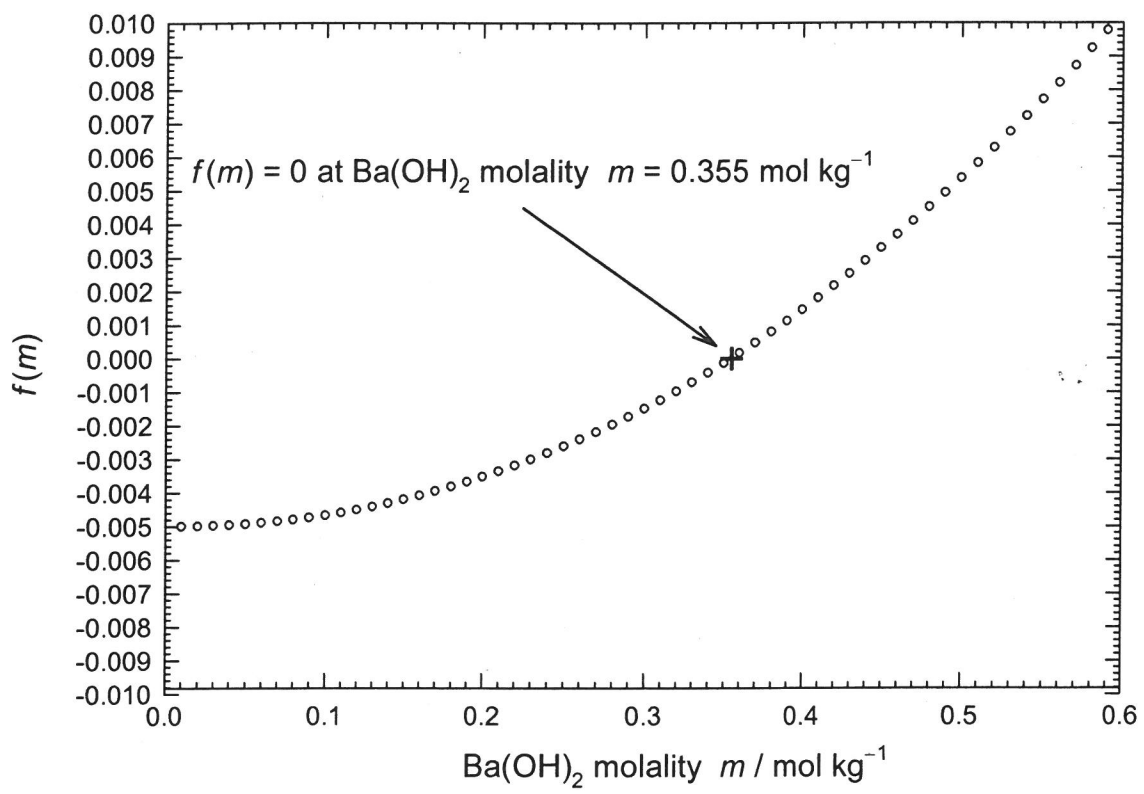
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(9 a cont.)

extended DH Theory

$$f(m) = e^{-1.173(2)(3) \frac{\sqrt{3m}}{1+\sqrt{3m}}} 4m^3 - 0.0050 \text{ against } m$$

Ba(OH)₂ solubility 0.355 mol kg⁻¹



(9 cont.)



- (m)
b) solubility of $\text{Ba}(\text{OH})_2$ in $0.200 \text{ mol kg}^{-1}$ NaCl solution predicted using extended DH theory:

NaCl increases the ionic strength

$$I = \frac{z_{\text{Ba}^{2+}}^2 m_{\text{Ba}^{2+}} + z_{\text{OH}^-}^2 m_{\text{OH}^-} + z_{\text{Na}^+}^2 m_{\text{Na}^+} + z_{\text{Cl}^-}^2 m_{\text{Cl}^-}}{2}$$
$$= \frac{4m + (1)(2m) + (1)m_{\text{NaCl}} + (1)m_{\text{NaCl}}}{2}$$

$$I = 3m + m_{\text{NaCl}} = 3m + 0.200 \text{ mol kg}^{-1}$$

$$K_{\text{sp}} = a_{\text{Ba}^{2+}} a_{\text{OH}^-}^2 = \gamma_{\pm}^3 m(2m)^2$$

$$\ln \gamma_{\pm} = -1.173(z_+ z_-) \frac{\sqrt{I}}{1 + \sqrt{I}}$$

extended DH theory for $\text{Ba}(\text{OH})_2$

$$-1.173(2) 3m$$

$$\gamma_{\pm} = e$$

$$-1.173(2 \times 3) \frac{\sqrt{3m + 0.200}}{1 + \sqrt{3m + 0.200}}$$
$$4m^3$$

solve $0.0050 = e$

find (next page) $m = 0.375 \text{ mol kg}^{-1}$

- c) Predicted $\text{Ba}(\text{OH})_2$ solubility significantly affected by nonideal solution behavior:

in water: $0.068 \frac{\text{mol}}{\text{kg}}$ (ideal) \approx $0.355 \frac{\text{mol}}{\text{kg}}$ (nonideal)

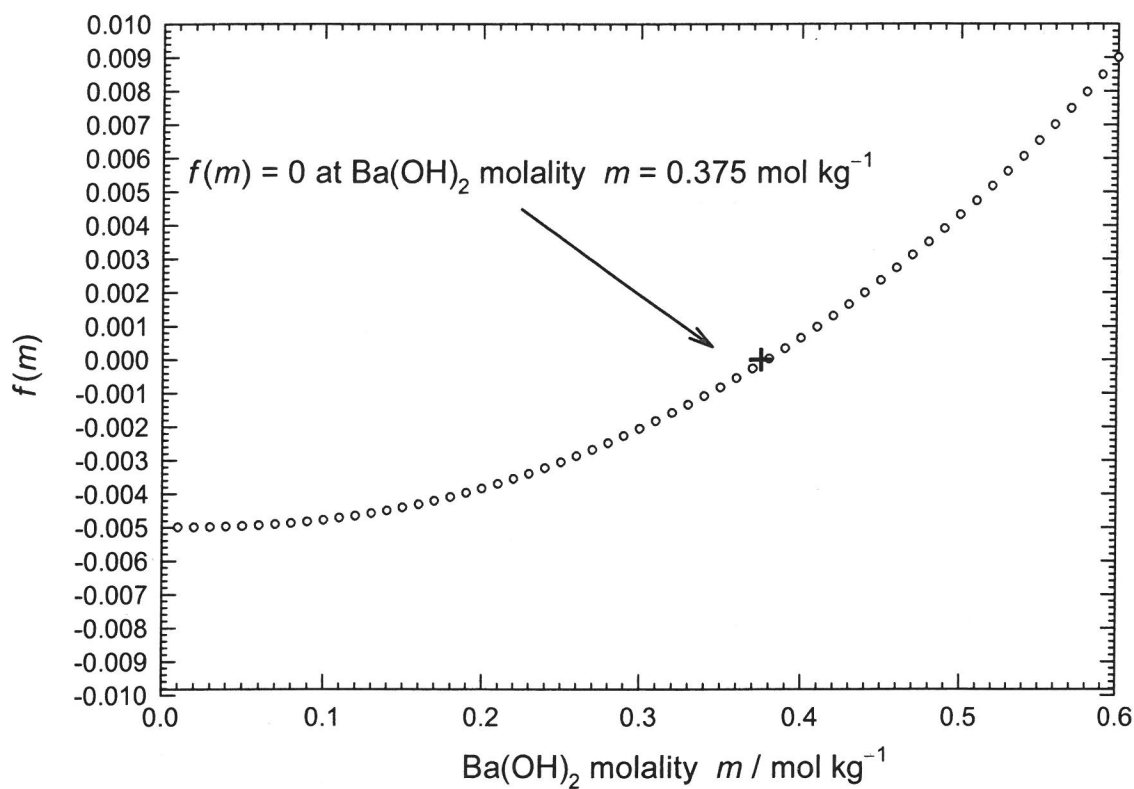
in $0.200 \frac{\text{mol}}{\text{kg}}$ NaCl: $0.068 \frac{\text{mol}}{\text{kg}}$ (ideal) \approx $0.375 \frac{\text{mol}}{\text{kg}}$ (nonideal)

(9b) cont.)

solubility of $\text{Ba}(\text{OH})_2$ in $0.200 \frac{\text{mol}}{\text{kg}}$ NaCl

$$\text{solve } f(m) = 0 = e^{-1.173 \frac{\sqrt{3mt+200}}{1+\sqrt{3mt+200}}} (2)(3) 4m^3 - 0.0050$$

(extended DH theory)



Adding NaCl increases the solubility of $\text{Ba}(\text{OH})_2$ by increasing the ionic strength and therefore reducing γ_{\pm} .

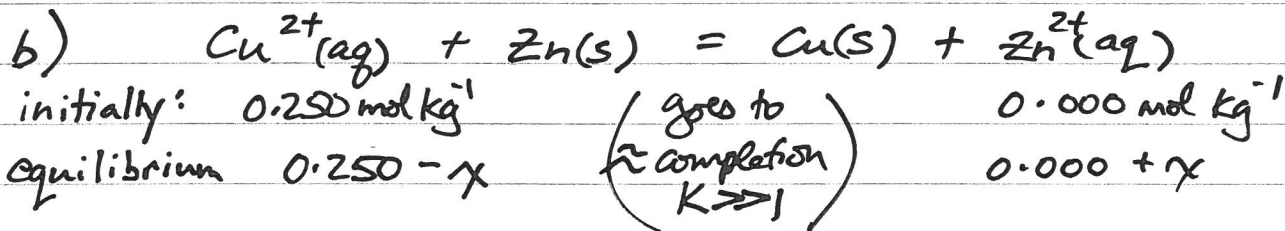
("salting in" effect)



a) $\Delta G^\circ = \Delta G_{\text{fm}}^\circ(\text{Cu}, \text{s}) + \Delta G_{\text{fm}}^\circ(\text{Zn}^{2+}, \text{aq}) - \Delta G_{\text{fm}}^\circ(\text{Cu}^{2+}, \text{aq}) - \Delta G_{\text{fm}}^\circ(\text{Zn}, \text{s})$
 $= 0 + (-147.1) - (65.5) - 0 \quad \text{kJ mol}^{-1}$

$\Delta G^\circ = -212.6 \text{ kJ mol}^{-1}$

$K = \exp(-\Delta G^\circ/RT) = \exp(+212600/(8.314)(298.15))$
 $K = 1.770 \times 10^{37}$



$K = \frac{a_{\text{Zn}^{2+}}}{a_{\text{Cu}^{2+}}} \approx \frac{m_{\text{Zn}^{2+}}}{m_{\text{Cu}^{2+}}}$ assuming ideal solution behavior

$1.770 \times 10^{37} = \frac{m_{\text{Zn}^{2+}}}{m_{\text{Cu}^{2+}}} = \frac{x}{0.250 - x} = \text{huge number!}$

$\therefore 0.250 - x \approx 0 \quad x = 0.250 \text{ mol kg}^{-1} = m_{\text{Zn}^{2+}}$

$m_{\text{Cu}^{2+}} = \frac{m_{\text{Zn}^{2+}}}{K} = \frac{0.250 \text{ mol kg}^{-1}}{1.770 \times 10^{37}} = 1.41 \times 10^{-38} \text{ mol kg}^{-1}$
only $2+$ Cu ion in 1.14×10^{14} kg water!

to remove Cu^{2+} ions from solution, use powdered Zn metal

large surface area to bind Cu